

Minutes: Leesburg Tree Commission July 19, 2004

The Leesburg Tree Commission met on Monday, July 19, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. in the lower level meeting room at 25 West Market Street, Leesburg, VA. Staff present for the meeting was Jay Banks.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairperson Hower
Commissioner Bessa
Commissioner Peterson
Commissioner Pritchard
Commissioner Perry

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Pritchard made a motion to approve the minutes of June 21, 2004 as amended.

Motion: Pritchard
Second: Peterson
Carried: 5-0-2

Commissioner Hower welcomed the returning members to the Tree Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Gary Pritchard, Julie & Bruce Dewar attended the Tree Commission meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Banks stated that the Tree Inventory had been completed and he is waiting on the information to come in the mail. Mr. Banks stated that the inventory list does have the conditions of the trees.

The Tree Commission talked about how the Tree Inventory information would be utilized and stated that it would be used for the tree management plan.

Commissioner Pritchard stated that she attended a meeting on the W & OD Trail and Power line project and the reason for using the W & OD Trail is because it is the cheapest

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way. Commissioner Pritchard also stated that the Board of Supervisors are pursuing another route within the Town.

The Tree Commission talked about going to the first Planning Commission Meeting in September to do their Power Point presentation regarding trees.

Commissioner Hower talked about putting together some Sub-committees as other Commissions have done.

Mr. Banks talked about the Master Plan and stated that the grant money is waiting.

Tree Commission talked about having a special meeting regarding the RFP for the Master Plan and decided to have the meeting on August 9th at 9:00 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Tree Commission decided to hold off the election for Vice Chairman until the August 16th meeting.

The Tree Commission discussed having a retreat type meeting either on October 16th or 23rd and Commissioner Perry will find a location for the retreat.

The Tree Commission decided to get 1,000 each River Birch & Norway Spruce for the Flower and Garden show next year.

COUNCILMANIC COMMENTS:

None

STAFF COMMENTS:

None

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Pritchard stated that there is an open invitation for the RFP on the Master Plan on August 9th at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Bessa asked what the status was for returning commission members.

Commissioner Hower stated that at the last Town Council meeting there was a discussion regarding attendance and participation at the Council level and Commissioner Hower will be forwarding the attendance to the Mayor. Commissioner Hower stated that the agenda is put together the first week of the month and if any of the Commissioners would like something on the agenda please let him know.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Bessa made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Bessa
Second: Pritchard
Carried: 5-0

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Jay S. Banks, Urban Forester